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# Greece to take center stage



The Parthenon, among other sight-worthy places, will be on display during the Sinclair Talks presentation of Greece. Sinclair Instructor Debra Fazio and her daughter Colleen traveled to Greece this past summer. Fazio will be sharing her experience with Sinclair on Wednesday.



photos contributed by Debra Fazio

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Philosophers, warriors and rich history will be on full-display, as the Sinclair Talks and International Series will be presenting Greece at the Stage Area of Building 8 on Nov. 14 at noon.

The presentation is free for all Sinclair Community College students, faculty and staff to attend.

Debra Fazio, adjunct faculty at Sinclair, will be the presenter and she said she has a reasonable amount of knowledge of the country, as she has vacationed to Greece this past summer.

She invites all Sinclair students to come and experience the beauty of the Greek culture, music, food and countryside.

“I hope to talk about the philosophers,” Fazio said in a phone interview. “I hope to talk about some of the islands, some... of the archeological sites. I want to talk a little bit about the Greek Gods and how they figured into the history of Greece.”

She also said she would mention the warriors Greece is known for, such as Alexander the Great.

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## Math Lab offers free tutoring

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The Math Lab offers a free service for Sinclair students to work on their math homework. It is open to students taking math classes as well as those taking chemistry and physics classes.

The lab is divided into two different sections for different purposes. One side is equipped with 52 computers so students can work independently on their coursework with programs such as MyMathLab. Students can also utilize graphing software if necessary.

The Math Lab personnel will also help students set up accounts to specific programs needed for particular classes.

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## Special Education program coming to Courseview

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The college of Mount St. Joseph is partnering with Sinclair to offer a Multicultural Special Education program at the Courseview Campus this January.

TEAM-MSE (multicultural special education) started in 2004 and is a blended program that is available online and in the classroom every other Saturday at the Courseview Campus for people who want to teach children with special needs.

“This program is for individuals who want a license in Special Education or want to teach children with special needs,” Clarissa Rosas, director of Multicultural Special Education at Mount St. Joseph said.

The TEAM-MSE program prepares students to work with children with special needs who come from different cultural backgrounds. The program is also aimed at those who have already been through school and are looking for another outlet.

“Those who already teach may be looking for a second career to pursue within teaching to do something different,” Rosas said.

TEAM-MSE is partnering with Sinclair because of the demographic of people that attend and to help promote the program in the Warren County area, Rosas said.

“Students being aware and seeing the career pathway that is available to them is our purpose,” Interim Assistant Dean Charlotte Wharton said.

The program is accelerated for those seeking their master’s degree and is completed in five semesters.

“We try to keep the classes small — we would like to have at least 15 enroll and we have 10 right now,” Rosas said. “Special Education is a tough field and licensed educators are needed.”

Upon completion of the program, a Master of Arts degree is obtained with a major in Education and a license in Special Education for grades K-12.

“We are really excited about the partnership,” Wharton said. “We are interested in staying local and making it convenient for the student.”

If interested in applying for the program or for additional information, call 513-244-4812 or contact Rosas at [clarissa\\_rosas@mail.msjeu](mailto:clarissa_rosas@mail.msjeu).

## Sinclair Talks hosting ‘The Invisible War’

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For the first time, Sinclair Talks will have an event hosted by a student instead of a faculty member.

Communication major and Air Force Veteran Jachlin Williams will show, “The Invisible War” on Thursday, Nov. 15 at 9 a.m. in Building 2, Room 334.

The movie addresses military sexual trauma.

“It’s an important topic that often gets overlooked. I think there’s a lot in the greater media about veterans in general... but specific needs and specific reasons for support we can provide to these veterans – and part of that process, part of getting civilians involved in supporting veterans in that transition, is getting civilians to understand parts of the military experience,” Sally Caspers, Veterans Affairs coordinator said. “There are other films that we could show that would talk about veteran experience more broadly, combat experience or other things, but this is one that often gets overlooked.”

Williams has hosted the movie twice at the Neon in Dayton and once in Yellow Springs. She has been working on showing the documentary at Sinclair since August. She said her Interpersonal Communications Instructor Jessica Lawson directed her to the right people to make the showing happen.

“It’s my healing tool, each time I watch it. There’s different parts, it has triggered me at different parts,” said Williams said. “It’s the injustice of the system and what needs to be changed and how these individuals were treated. They served their country, just like I did.”

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# The Sinclair Chorale to perform Invitational Concert on Nov. 18



photo by Mike Huson

The Sinclair Chorale performed for Sinclair students on Nov. 8 in the Library. They will be performing again at the Kettering Seventh-Day Adventist Church on Nov. 18 at 7 p.m.

## Ohio Fellows teaches students servant learning

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The Ohio Fellows is a Sinclair student organization, built around the idea of servant leadership and applying it to the student’s professional and personal life.

Adviser Thomas Roberts said initially there were three schools in Ohio that had the Ohio Fellows organization, which were Bowling Green, Ohio University and Sinclair Community College. Thirty-five years later, Sinclair is the only college that still has an active Ohio Fellows organization.



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Thomas Roberts (middle) advises Brandon Whitehorn (left) and Shaun Campbell (right) in the Ohio Fellows Organization.

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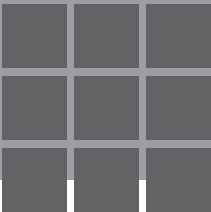
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## weekly sudoku



The objective of the game is to fill all the blank squares in a game with the correct numbers. There are three very simple constraints to follow. In a 9 by 9 square Sudoku game:

- Every row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.
- Every column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.
- Every 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

Every Sudoku game begins with some squares already filled in, and the difficulty of each game is due to how many squares are filled in. The more squares that are known, the easier it is to figure out which numbers go in the open squares. As you fill in squares correctly, options for the remaining squares are narrowed and it becomes easier to fill them in.


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	7	2	6			8	1	
				7			3	
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Sudoku Tips: Start by looking for numbers that occur frequently in the initial puzzle. For example, say you have a lot of 5's in the initial puzzle. Look for the 3x3 box where there is no 5. Look for 5's in other rows and columns that can help you eliminate where the 5 might go in that box. If there is a 5 in column's 1 and 2, then

there can't be a 5 anywhere else in either of those columns. You know then that whatever leftmost 3x3 box that is missing a 5 must have it go in column 3. If you can eliminate all the possibilities in that box except for 1 square, you've got it down!

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## weekly crossword



### Across

1 Cup holder site  
8 Pedestrian  
15 New Jersey city across from Staten Island  
16 Play that inspired Puccini  
17 19th-century literary trio  
18 Not 26-Down  
19 Pickett's Charge soldier  
20 Some moves, briefly  
22 First family when D.C.'s earliest cherry trees were planted  
23 1790s diplomatic powder keg  
25 Chianti container  
28 Takes off the shoulder, perhaps  
29 La Paz-to-Montevideo dir.  
32 Expeditiously  
33 Miami Dolphins uniform color  
34 Fluff pieces?  
35 Garden blooms named for medieval music makers  
38 Ship with a prophetic prow  
39 Mythical bowman  
40 Motrin competitor  
41 Oklahoma tribe  
42 Barrel of laughs  
43 Flavor, in a way  
44 Highly rated court figure  
46 Claptrap  
49 Clay + straw + water + sunshine  
50 Recipe meas.  
53 Type of mining used for near-the-surface minerals  
55 Sample tray sign  
57 Ecstasy  
58 Walk all over  
59 What con men may assume  
60 "Act I: Daily Life" play

### Down

1 50-Across, e.g.  
2 Infrequent  
3 Initial warning to an intruder?  
4 Longtime Cub Santo  
5 Contestant's payment  
6 Reaction to a tickle, maybe  
7 Inventor hired by Westinghouse  
8 Golfer's knickers  
9 Operated  
10 Canal malady  
11 To date  
12 "Never gonna happen!"

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13 "Johnny Mnemonic" actor  
14 Heels  
21 Like an old saw  
23 Maker of the Vortex electric pencil sharpener  
24 Off  
25 Evergreen bean  
26 Like exes  
27 Tourist chameleon voiced by Johnny Depp  
29 Clog bottoms  
30 Volley  
31 Ruhr Valley city  
33 Repeals  
34 Anchor, as a nautical rope  
36 Senate majority leader after Frist  
37 Tourist guidebook publisher  
42 Clamor  
43 Legacy producer

44 Coup group  
45 Game with five-letter words  
46 Traditional dance  
47 Australian export  
48 Foreign Legion cap  
50 Clamor  
51 Bamboozle  
52 School in the Quaker Consortium  
54 Haranguer's fuel  
56 Absorb, as costs

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# Sinclair Talks to present Greece

Greece continued from front



photo contributed by Debra Fazio

Sinclair Instructor Debra Fazio and her daughter Colleen traveled to Greece this past summer.

Fazio said she will be displaying some of the photos she took during her vacation and she has provided Sinclair's Culinary Arts Department with some Greek recipes for seasonal cookies and other "Greek finger-foods."

As a reading instructor, she said her students created a report on the etymology of Greek words and how we use them today. She also hopes that some of the students will participate with Greek dancing.



photo contributed by Debra Fazio

"Charioteer" is a bronze statue in the Museum of Delphi from 5th Century B.C. Fazio regards this statue as one of Greece's most famous.

She described Greece as a beautiful, untouched country and recommends it as a prime vacation destination because of its minimal amounts of pollution and beautiful scenery and locations.

This is the final International Series for Fall Semester.

The next Sinclair Talks presentation will be on Nov. 20 and is entitled Face the Fears.

# Sinclair's Police Department hires 4 new officers



photos contributed by Sinclair Police

Sinclair's Police Department added four new officers to fill the void of six officers that moved forward in their careers.

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The Sinclair Community College Police are getting reinforcements.

Sinclair's Director of Public Safety Charles Gift has announced the hiring of four new officers, Bobby Stanaford, Philip Hubbard, Brittany Blackford and Steven Nonnenman.

Gift said their honesty, integrity and truthfulness stood out above all else and are the reason he chose to hire them.

"We hire a high caliber person to be a police officer at Sinclair," Gift said. "They are excellent representatives of the college."

He mentioned that Nonnenman and Stanaford are both U.S. Army Veterans and are more than qualified for the job.

Blackford has already been serving the college since mid-September, according to a Sinclair press release. She has assisted in the recovery of a stolen vehicle and apprehension of the suspect.

Hubbard will be a part-time officer, as he is a retired City of Dayton police officer of 35 years. He also served as a Sinclair student security guard from 1973-1975.

Gift has been chief of Police at Sinclair for nearly six years and said

he has hired "probably 10 police officers," during that time. He said he targets graduates from the Sinclair Police Academy because of the extensive education and training they receive.

Stanaford, Blackford and Nonnenman are all graduates of the SPA in June 2012.

As part of their initial training, each officer will be accompanied by a field training officer for the first 13 weeks, as Gift described that as a "probationary period."

Gift said that each of the new officers went through a rigorous hiring process that included several interviews by himself and Chief Diversity Officer Gwen Jones, a written test, background check, polygraph, physical, drug screen, stress test and a psychological evaluation.

Upon employment, all of these factors are included into Sinclair's Police ranking list, which rates officers on their test results and interview results. The list is reviewed every year unless vetoed by Gift.

Recently, six officers have left the force, leaving room for new hires, which Gift said "a couple more will be hired." He said he enjoys welcoming new officers to the Sinclair family.

"It's a great opportunity to train new people in law enforcement," Gift said.

# Free tutoring at the Math Lab

Math Lab continued from front

Building	Level	Room
1	3	15
Math Lab Hours:		
M - Th	8 am - 8 pm	
Fri	8 am - 4 pm	
Sat	9 am - 3 pm	
Closed on Saturdays in Summer		



photo by Olga Klepinger

Brett Holland, Math Lab facilitator (left) helps David Willis (right) with math assignment.

"I'm in need of tutoring," Sinclair student Ashley Bellfo said. "I'm not really the best student. I'll come in here, I'll do my homework and if I don't understand, they'll go over step-by-step."

On the other side of the lab, students can get help on their work from tutors walking around the area. Unlike Tutorial Services, students can only utilize the tutors for a few minutes because they have to share them with the other students in the room.

Students who excel at math also have opportunities to become a tutor at the Math Lab.

"For tutoring here we have higher standards than Tutorial Services," said Brett Holland, Math Learning Center facilitator. "That is so, because we see everybody in here from beginning algebra through calculus. You still go through Tutorial Services but you have to have passed at least Calculus 1."

He said this requirement is in place



photo contributed by Math Lab

Students working on assignments in the Math Lab.

to ensure that the person tutoring has the expertise to be able to help in all levels of math.

Making an appointment for math help in either room is not required, as

the Math Lab operates with a walk-in policy. Students sign in on a computer, specifying why they are utilizing the facility and sign out when they are finished.

# Ohio Fellows puts others' needs first

Fellows continued from front

"I was introduced to the various leadership skills – which the one that I really value and we tend to most learn about is servant leadership," Brandon Whitehorn said.

Roberts said a servant leader is someone who puts other people's needs ahead of their own. It is a new way of thinking that addresses the needs of the people and community that a person is serving.

To become part of Ohio Fellows, students must complete an application, successfully interview with the advisory board, and eventually, once in the program, complete an autobiography and growth contract. Roberts said the growth contract is a personal strategic plan to help develop a strategy for a student to complete his/her goals.

"To become a part of the Ohio Fellows you have to actually develop a life goal," Shaun Campbell said. "Ohio Fellows actually wants you to find a mentor, on and off campus, that aligns with the goals. That to me

is very valuable."

Roberts said that although there are no scholarships available for being a member of Ohio Fellows, there are great things that are learned. During the school year the members will discuss and develop "soft skills that can be applied to the classroom, employment and leadership."

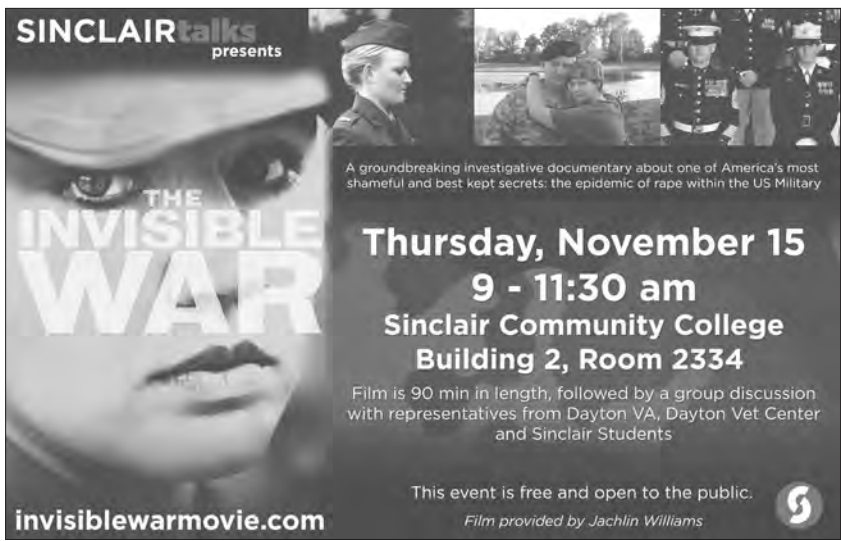
At the end of the school year in June, Roberts said that there is an annual trip to Washington, D.C. for the students at no cost. They will experience service and leadership in the community, he said.

"We would have these great talks for hours," Whitehorn said referring to the D.C. trip. "It's funny, because we all have the same values, we pretty much share the same common goals, what we like to do here at Sinclair."

To pick up an application or to find out more information on the Ohio Fellows organization, visit their office located in Building 8 Room 025.

# 'The Invisible War' movie will be showing at Sinclair

War continued from front



Williams said during the event, there will be representatives from Dayton Veterans Affairs and Dayton Veteran Center, as well as Sinclair counselors available for people to reach out to during the film or after if needed.

In addition, she said at each of her showings, she's had at least one person stand up and realize that they're not alone.

"It's one of those things that civilians need to know about to better understand the veteran and military community and then look for ways to support them," Caspers said.

Williams also made a point that MST doesn't only happen to women and there will also be support at the event for men as well.

"Less than 1 percent of the entire U.S. population has served in the military or is on active duty at any given time, so this pool of people who get it is shrinking," Caspers said. "Part of what we can do as the

veteran's community is reach out to the civilian community, but then also within the veteran's community, [they] were segmented a bit. So there's education to go around for everyone."

Williams said the movie may touch anyone that has been affected by sexual trauma.

"Sexual assaults can happen anywhere," Williams said.

Every student, faculty and staff member is invited to attend the free event. It will last until 11:30 a.m., and may be hosted again.

"What we're trying to do with Sinclair Talks is provide opportunities for people to connect in different kinds of ways," Peter Bolmida, project manager for the Sinclair Talks said.

For more information about "The Invisible War," visit invisiblewarmovie.com. For more information about Sinclair Talks, visit Sinclair.edu/talks.

# Sinclair’s Choral Invitational Concert connects with the Dayton community

**Choral** continued from Front



The Women’s Ensemble performing in the Library on Nov. 8.

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The Sinclair Choral Invitational Concert will return to Kettering Seventh-Day Adventist Church with a free performance and open invite to the entire community. The Sinclair Community College Chorale, Chamber Choir and Women’s Ensemble will perform in company with Miamisburg High School, Stivers School for the Arts and Vandalia–Butler High School on Nov. 18 at 7 p.m. Each of the six ensembles will perform independently, before joining together to close the concert with a performance of “Achieved is the Glorious Work” by Joseph Haydn. Nolan W. Long, associate professor of Music and ensemble director of the Sinclair Chorale, Women’s Ensemble and Chamber Choir, said that changes made year-to-year regarding ensemble and repertoire, al-

low for variety and continuity. “My goal with my students here at Sinclair is to be able to provide them educational opportunities and provide them some of the standards of the choral repertoire,” Long said. “What I strive to do is provide them some standards and help them to learn how to produce them and sing them really well. And at the same time, try to balance those standards with some things that are very contemporary, but still classical choral music.” Long said this collaborative effort within Sinclair’s nationally accredited Music Department and the Kettering Adventist Church has come to yield several benefits since it began in 2007. “This type of opportunity provides our students the opportunity to perform before a large audience with community involvement,” he said. “That doesn’t happen very much in many community colleges throughout the country.”

Long said the Kettering Adventist Church not only strives to reach out to the community and invite outside performances, but is accommodating with a set up that allows for sufficient parking, congregation area and concert floor space. “I see this as not only an outreach to the community for our college as a whole, but also an opportunity for students to be able to perform in a large facility where they have to learn how to project their voices,” Long said. Long added that performing in a different acoustical environment requires a different thought process and preparation of students and that this larger venue demands adjustments in diction, voice projection and physical presentation. This transition won’t be new to second-year Music Education student and Treasurer of the Choral Music Association Michelle Robinson. She said that she is looking forward to performing, along with helping to lead the younger members of the group in the invitational. “My hope is that the audience members will be able to have a delightful evening of appreciation of quality music of different ensembles throughout the entire Dayton area,” Long said. Long and Daniel B. Greene will also be conducting at The Holiday Concert on Saturday, Dec. 8 at 8 p.m. at the Blair Hall Theatre.

## tartan spotlight meet Sawyer

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Sawyer is a 5-year-old standard poodle with a job to do. He can carry up to 20 pounds on his back, and is learning how to help people down the stairs and open doors. Dr. Carolyn Worthen, director of the Vet Tech program, has recently started training him as a service dog and said both he and she are learning together. “I’ve done a lot of training and a lot of behavior work in my past,” Worthen said. “But I’ve never had to train a dog to do this before, so I’m learning as I go.” Before Sawyer was a service dog, he was a rescue dog. Worthen attained him through the Standard Poodle Rescue while he was still a puppy. Sawyer, his mother and his sister were taken from a hoarding situation and were given to the organization. Worthen started training him as a service dog less than four months ago. “We’ve always expected basic obedient behavior out of him, it’s just taking it to the next level,” Worthen said. “There’s no such thing as old dogs when they’re learning. They can all learn.” A typical day for Sawyer starts no later than 7 a.m. He is fed breakfast and is let outside to do his business. Worthen then calls for Sawyer and they head to Sinclair. When they arrive, Worthen dresses him in his red vest and he carries her bags during the day. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, he accompanies her to class and teaches students proper behavior around service dogs. Worthen said while he’s not working, he acts



Photo by Whitney Vickers

like a typical dog: He’s laid back, playful and adopts bad habits, such as pulling on the leash. “He’s smart, but he’s pretty lazy. So if he can get away without doing something, he will,” Worthen said. “The part of working that he prefers [the most] is greeting people and taking naps. So I guess you’d say he’s a typical college-aged student. He’s more into the social aspect of school.” She said most students that see Sawyer around campus usually smile or ask to pet him. However, she said it’s important to keep in mind that he’s working – not to acknowledge him directly and to ask to pet him first – otherwise he’ll get distracted. “Be aware of any service dog, they’re working and they’re working on maintaining focus, so talk to the person who’s attached to the dog before you talk to the dog,” Worthen said.



Photo by Whitney Vickers

Vet Tech Program Director Carolyn Worthen is training Sawyer to be Sinclair’s service dog.

## Sinclair, African-American community comes together at Pre-Kwanzaa

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The Student Leadership Center will host a celebration of dance, music, food, family unity and community spirit on Saturday, Nov. 17 during Sinclair’s annual Pre-Kwanzaa event. Pre-Kwanzaa will run from 5 to 8:30 p.m. in the Student Leadership Center in the Lower Level of Building 8. The event is hosted by the African–American Studies and Cultural Diversity Committee and admission is free. The event’s theme of “Maintaining the Family Unity and Revitalizing the Community,” holds special meaning to Dr. Boikai Twe, chairperson of the Psychology and African Studies Department. Twe first celebrated Kwanzaa at Sinclair’s original Pre-Kwanzaa event and credits Sinclair students for introducing him to the holiday. “The students invited one of the elders of the community to come to Sinclair to celebrate Kwanzaa and that was the first time I had celebrated Kwanzaa,” Twe said. “It taught me that you can learn things from students and the community. We live in a community where, if you keep your eyes open, your life can be enriched by the community and the students around you.” Guest speaker Mary L. Baker, a retired City of Dayton police officer, who now works part-time in the Sinclair Police Department, plans to echo Twe’s sentiments of celebrating community while stressing the importance of family values. “I believe in planning for tomorrow, planning out my life and I want to talk about my children, how I raised them and I want to talk about my grandchildren,” Baker said. “My message is maintaining the family unit.” Since February of 2005, Baker has patrolled

the hallways and commons areas of Sinclair, interacting with countless students along the way. During her time at Sinclair, Baker has used her interactions as a way of reminding students about the role education plays in their lives. “When I walk and talk with students, I try to emphasize the importance of an education,” Baker said. “Not only are students competing with people here in the United States of America, but they’re competing on an international level. Over in Egypt, they have language schools and you can learn any language that you want. When I look at different countries, I’m seeing that they’re educating their young people to go out into the world and work.” The musical portion of the event will include a performance by local musician Victor Pate, who co-leads the group Unified Swag Theory, along with bassist and Music Director Luther Wright III. Pate describes his and Wright’s sound as hip-hop jazz. “It’s something people can bob their head to,” Pate said, who plays guitar and guitar synthesizer for the group. In addition to Unified Swag Theory, Pre-Kwanzaa will also feature acts by Memories of Africa featuring Maiya Calhoun, a family band that specializes in African-American and Folk music and Kuumba Drama-Drum & Dance Company. They have performed at Pre-Kwanzaa for the past 10 years, Twe said. Along with the three scheduled musical performances, those attending Pre-Kwanzaa will be treated to Karamu, a Swahili term for feast. Twe said the feast will be a soul food dinner, where members of the community will bring dishes of food to share that consist mainly of traditional African-American foods, such as black-eyed peas and collard greens. For more information, contact Twe at 512-2913.



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Philip Chesnick (BFA 2012), *One Thing Leads to Another* (detail), 2012, cast aluminum

editorial cartoons



your voice

What was your reaction to the results of the presidential election?

Reporting & Photos by Maddie Fahbusch



Robin Howard  
Automotive

"I'm glad that Obama won, I supported him all the way through. I even volunteered through my community, such as knocking on people's doors. I was working with other students making sure everybody voted on time. I feel like I did my job when Obama won Ohio."



James Kerns  
Heating & Air Conditioning

"I didn't vote for Obama; but I mean, I'm not too concerned about it. I'm a Christian so I'm not really bothered. I just want to wait to see what happens."



Connor Bailey  
Biology

"I was surprised. I was a little apprehensive of where our country's headed. Personally, it's not how I would've liked to see it happen but it is what it is I guess."



Halie Tower  
Nursing

"I was very shocked. I didn't think that he would win. I mean, I'm glad he did, but I was shocked."



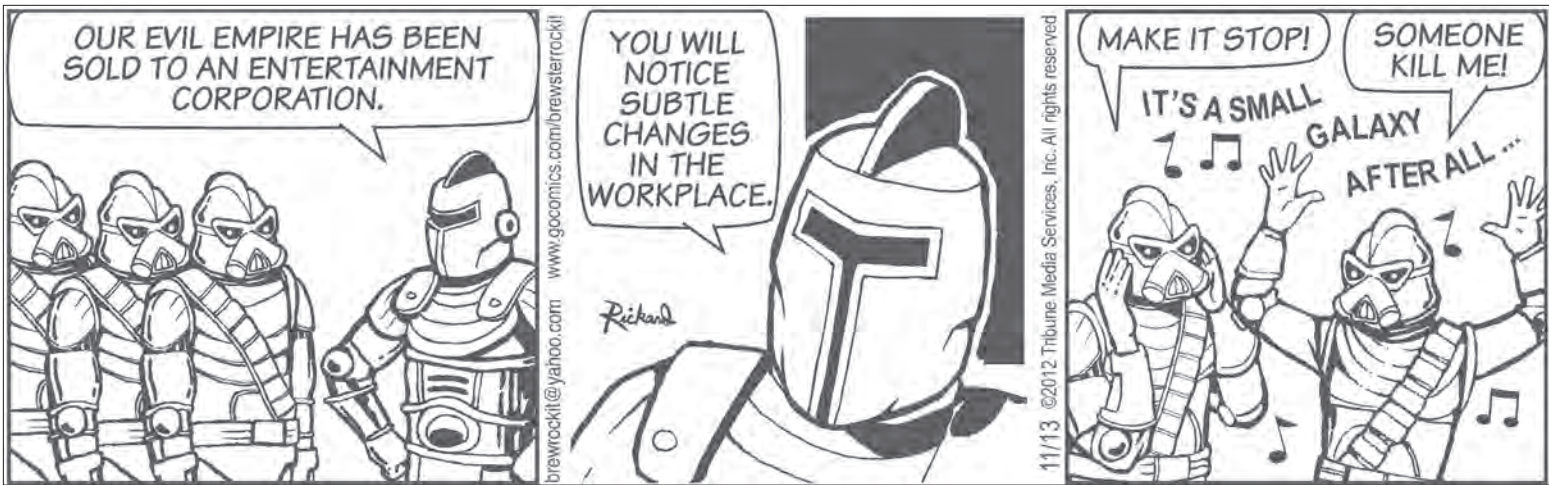
Christopher Johnson  
Psychology

"I had a positive reaction. I voted for Obama."

game solutions

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Thanks, voters, for caring enough to argue

John Kass  
Chicago Tribune (MCT)

To every American who argued and fought and squabbled, day after day during this long and often bitter presidential election, I'd just like to say one thing:

Thank you. I've been thinking about those of you who wouldn't keep your mouths shut.

Thank you for opening those mouths and putting your lungs behind your words and ideas. Whether you're a Republican, Democrat, Libertarian, Socialist, tea party conservative, Green Party liberal or a member of Occupy Whatever, your political leanings aren't the issue here.

What matters is that you stood up and spoke your mind. Some called you racist or stupid. Some tried to embarrass you into silence by comparing you to a sex act. Others were portrayed as Stalinist sleeper agents hoping to force us into singing the Soviet anthem.

Still you kept hammering away, talking to your neighbors, going to town meetings and writing angry, insulting letters to columnists like me with whom you disagreed. Thank you. Yes, thank you.

Somewhere we got the idea that messy and angry politics is something to be avoided. Why, because it's messy and angry? That's the sound of freedom. Our founders understood this. Unfortunately, some Americans forgot. They're bothered by loud talk and arguments. And many of these people want low voices and no rough edges. They've been coerced to think that quiet is best.

It is not best. Democracy is supposed to be loud, especially when people fight about ideas.

When the federal government holds so much power, arguing is inevitable. Arguing is what free people do.

We don't need to thank the candidates today. They'll get plenty of praise. They're the main actors in our American story, and the media will line up and smooch the behind of the winner and castigate the loser.

Enough about them. Today's thank-you is for those of you who decided to get loud.

The men who founded America understood about yelling and screeching. They did plenty of it. They were of the crazy opinion that liberty was preferable to quiet. So they argued, they schemed. Sometimes they fought each other with leaked negative stories in the press.

A few even fought each other with iron tongs from the fireplace of the Congress. Yes, tongs. Back on Feb. 15, 1798, members of the U.S. House of Representatives went at it.

Rep. Roger Griswold of Connecticut attacked colleague Matthew Lyon of Vermont on the floor of the House.

Griswold was for President John Adams' hardball politics against France. Lyon believed, as did Vice President Thomas Jefferson, that a military buildup would lead to war. They got to jawing. Lyon spit tobacco juice at Griswold, who later went after him with a cane. When the cane came out, Lyon grabbed a pair of iron tongs from the fireplace. It got worse.

According to historical accounts, Jefferson's minions accused Adams of being a hermaphrodite, with "neither the force and firmness of a man, nor the gentleness and sensibility of a woman." Adams' camp shrieked that Jefferson was "a mean-spirited, low-lived fellow, the son of a half-breed Indian squaw, sired by a Virginia mulatto father."

Not bad for a president and his vice president, eh?

Adams was called a fool. Jefferson was branded a coward and libertine. Jefferson hired a political writer as a hatchet man. It went on and on.

So you think politics is rough today because a few taxpayers gathered to harass members of Congress over how their tax dollars have been wasted? Get real.

It's easier to keep quiet. That comfy pillow on the couch is also quiet. It's for sitting on. It doesn't complain when you plop down upon it while watching political news on TV.

For those who keep wringing their hands and whimpering about the loud sound of our politics, I've got just the solution:

North Korea. The politics are quiet and peaceful over there. The last guy who stepped out of line politically got himself mortared to death. Not mortared with bricks — the other kind of mortar, the kind that goes "boom."

Kim Chol, a military vice minister, made the mistake of having a few drinks during the official grieving period for the late dictator Kim Jong Il. Kim's son, the new boss — they hand power down from father to child like we do here it in Illinois — was offended by the drinking.

He reportedly insisted there "be no trace of him (left) behind, down to his hair." And so the North Koreans zeroed their mortars in on flat ground. The guilty partyer stood where X marked the spot. Then they blew him to bits. And now he's as quiet and inoffensive as the pillow on the couch.

But here, in the U.S., we're loud and that's good. Listen to the echoes of it from this campaign. You know what that is?

It's the sound of liberty.

letter to the editor

In Response to the Oct. 30 Issue

In this election time, I have heard a lot of people talking about how Catholics are against candidates who are Pro-contraceptives and sterilization. Maybe they're right, but you shouldn't forget that there are people with different religions, beliefs and manners. This is a free country and you can do whatever you believe. Although

some people support that, you don't have to do the same. We're at a point where the adolescents are having sexual relationships—and don't say that isn't happening, because it is. Then they are going to have babies and then they have to quit school. And then the government has to help them, because with children, the young mothers can't go to school or work. You have to think of what's cheaper: maintain children or contracep-

tive methods. Don't forget that maintaining children isn't just food and clothes. They need medical support, school support and for many years until they have their own achievements. From my point of view, it's a good reason to support candidates who have these thoughts, who are thinking of the future of families.

-Jorge Gonzalez

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# Sinclair's K.C. Gan named OCCAC Coach of the Year

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For his team's 30-5 regular season finish, Sinclair women's volleyball head coach K.C. Gan was named the Ohio Community College Athletic Association Coach of the Year.

This is Gan's third time winning the award; he also won it in 2000 and 2005.

During the season, Sinclair started off slow in the conference, but ignited their play at the mid-way point, winning 25 of 27 games to close the season. During that stretch, the Tartan Pride won the Lakeland Invitational Tournament as well. Their season finished with a third place finish in the National Junior College Athletic Association District F Tournament. The team's final record was 32-7.

"Beside our record being good, I have outstanding players who received all kinds of awards — and that is phenomenal," Gan said in a phone interview.

Three of Gan's players were named to the OCCAC All-Conference team, and one was named as All-Region and All-American.

His team finished third in the conference, making him an unusual choice for the recognition; normally the coach of the team that wins the OCCAC is named as the COTY.

But Gan said he received numerous emails and phone calls from opposing coaches throughout the



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Photo by Giustino Bovenzi



Photo by Giustino Bovenzi

Sinclair women's volleyball coach K.C. Gan was named the 2012 Ohio Community College Athletic Conference Coach of the Year for the third time.

season, complimenting Gan on how improved his team is from last season.

"I did not expect to be named Coach of the Year because our team finished third in the conference. The chairperson of the conference said, 'You well deserve it because you

brought this team up to a different level.' I do appreciate it... but it was a surprise."

Gan said he will be returning for his 15 season next year as the head coach of the Tartan Pride women's volleyball team.

# Sinclair places third at NJCAA tourney



Photo by Giustino Bovenzi

Sinclair volleyball team finished their season on Nov. 4 with a third place finish in the National Junior College Athletic Association District F Tournament.

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The Sinclair women's volleyball team competed in the National Junior College Athletic Association District F Tournament in Grand Rapids, Mich. over the weekend of Nov. 2-4.

Sinclair started out strong, with a 3-0 (25-18, 25-19, 25-22) win over Ancilla Community College (Ind.).

On the second day, Sinclair continued their winning ways defeating the #4 seed Muskegon Community College Jayhawks (Mich.) in straight sets (25-14, 25-21, 25-19). But during that game, Sinclair's setter, Tara Eades, injured her wrist.

The extent of her injury really wasn't apparent to Sinclair until the second game on day two versus the #1 seed Grand Rapids Community College Raiders (Mich.).

Eades, the NJCAA #5 ranked player in assists (10.82 per set) wasn't delivering on passes, which typically propels Sinclair's offense.

"I tried to play through the pain but it just wasn't happening," Eades said in a phone interview. "I wasn't setting the ball right. I wasn't being accurate and our hit-

ters suffered in the long run from it."

Sinclair lost the game 0-3 (18-25, 17-25, 11-25) but their tournament wasn't over yet. They still had one more game to play with the winner going to the championship game the next day.

Eades was ruled out for the game against the Vincennes University Trailblazers (Ind.) just before it started, causing team captain and weak-side attacker, Kathleen Beyoglides to step into the role of setter.

But without a full powered offense, Sinclair fell easily to the #3 seeded Blazers 0-3 (15-25, 18-25, 18-25).

Head coach K. C. Gan said in a phone interview that his team put on a valiant effort in the tournament. He now looks ahead to next season.

"This has given me a bigger challenge for next season," Gan said in an email. "[I hope] to have a deeper bench, [a] much taller, stronger and much better team in order to be competitive against all the strong opponents and be the top team in our conference and region. This will be my main objective and I am looking forward to next season."

This story includes information from Gan's end of season press release.



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